

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE (Case No. 00-789-A)

| In the | Application of:   | ) |                          |
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|        | William Brian Busa  | ) | Examiner: To be assigned |
| Serial | No. 09/965,876  | ) | <b></b>                  |
| Filed: | September 28, 2001  | ) | Group Art Unit: 1645     |
| For:   | Method and Reagents for Live-Cell<br>Gene Expression Quantification | ) |                          |

## STATUS INQUIRY

Asst. Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicants respectfully request an indication of the status of the above-referenced application. This application was filed on September 28, 2001. However, to date, the Applicants have not received an office action. Applicants would gratefully appreciate receiving a written communication indicating when Applicants may expect to receive a first office action on this application.

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Respectfully submitted,

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